

PATENT APPLICATION

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of

Docket No: Q94845

Junho CHUNG, et al.

Allowed: March 27, 2008

Appln. No.: 10/578,836

Group Art Unit: 1644

Confirmation No.: 2218

Examiner: Sharon X. WEN

Filed: May 10, 2006

For: NEUTRALIZING ANTIBODY AGAINST HGF (as amended)

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Commissioner for Patents

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Sir:

In the above-identified application, two Information Disclosure Statements were filed in this application: on May 10, 2006 and on March 25, 2008.

The Information Disclosure Statement filed on May 10, 2006, disclosed the references cited in the International Application. The Examiner asserted that copies of the references were not received by the USPTO and thus were not considered, and thus Applicants submitted copies of them on September 26, 2007, and requested that the Examiner consider them and return an initialed copy of the PTO SB 08 form filed on May 10, 2006.

The second Information Disclosure Statement was filed after the final action on March 25, 2008.

In the Notice of Allowance mailed March 27, 2008, Applicants noted that an initialed copy of the PTO SB 08 form filed on May 10, 2006, was not received. Thus, the Examiner was

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contacted on May 7, 2008, to request that the references be considered, and that an initialed PTO SB 08 form be sent to us. The Examiner indicated that she had considered these reference during prosecution of the application and would take an appropriate action to make her consideration record.

Subsequently, an Office Communication dated May 14, 2008, was received which acknowledges the Information Disclosure Statement of March 25, 2008, states that it has been considered, and included an initialed PTO SB 08 form. However, there was no reference to the Information Disclosure Statement filed on May 10, 2006, even though the Examiner indicated that the references cited and of which copies were submitted were considered.

Accordingly, Applicants wish to make of record the fact that attorney of record contacted the Examiner to inquire if the references disclosed on May 10, 2006, (copies of which were submitted on September 26, 2007) were considered during prosecution, and was told by the Examiner that these references had considered during prosecution.

Respectfully submitted,

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